GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1048 ANSWERED ON- 10/02/2025

RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION CENTRES

1048. Smt. Mahima Kumari Mewar:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making any policy based efforts to provide excellent residential education to children;

(b) whether the Government proposes to start more number of residential education centres in Rajasthan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): The Department of School Education and Literacy is implementing an integrated centrally sponsored scheme for School education- Samagra Shiksha. The scheme treats school education holistically, without segmentation from pre-primary to class XII and provides support for the implementation of the RTE Act. The Scheme has been aligned with the recommendations of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and aims to ensure that all children have access to quality education with an equitable and inclusive classroom environment which should take care of their diverse background, multilingual needs, different academic abilities and make them active participants in the learning process.

Under Samagra Shiksha, annual plans are prepared by the respective States and UTs based on their requirements and priority and this is reflected in their respective Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) Proposals. These plans are then appraised and approved/estimated by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in the Department of School Education & Literacy in consultation with the States and UTs as per the programmatic and financial norms of the scheme, and physical and financial progress of the State for the interventions approved earlier.

Accordingly, financial assistance is provided to States and UTs for undertaking various activities for providing equitable, qualitative and holistic school education including provision for residential education under the following components:

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs)

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are residential schools from class VI to XII for girls belonging predominantly to the SC, ST, OBC, Minority and Below Poverty Line (BPL). The

KGBVs are setup in Educationally Backward Blocks of a State and UT. The objective behind establishing KGBVs is to ensure access and quality education to girls from disadvantaged groups by setting up residential schools and to reduce gender gaps at all levels of school education. Target Group for KGBVs is the Girls in the age group of 11-18 years aspiring to study in classes VI to XII belonging to SC, ST, OBC, Minority communities and BPL families. As per the AWP&B proposal (2024-25) received from the State of Rajasthan, Rs. 20198.112 lakh have been approved for various activities of KGBVs.

Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Awasiya Vidyalaya (NSCBAV)

Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Awasiya Vidyalaya (NSCBAV), are residential schools for reaching out to girls, urban deprived and other disadvantaged children such as residing in tribal areas, deserts, areas with natural barriers, hilly and difficult terrain, etc. While supporting interventions that aim at improving residential facilities in school education, preference is given to Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs), districts affected by LWEs, Special Focus Districts (SFDs) and all aspirational districts identified by the NITI Ayog. As per the AWP&B proposal (2024-25) received from the State of Rajasthan, 5 NSCBAVs at an estimated cost of Rs. 2205.00 lakh have been approved.

Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM- JANMAN)

Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM- JANMAN) is the Abhiyan of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and is being implemented in convergence with Samagra Shiksha Scheme of this Department. The PM JANMAN scheme has a run over period from 2023-24 to 2025-26, targeting construction of 500 hostels under Samagra Shiksha during the period. The Abhiyan targets development of 75 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) residing in 18 states and UT of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Abhiyan envisages saturation of basic facilities, including **Education**, in these villages by adopting whole Government approach in convergence with line ministries. Till date, 4 hostels at an estimated cost of Rs. 920 lakh have been approved for the State of Rajasthan.

Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA)

DAJGUA is the scheme of Ministry of Tribal Affairs and is being implemented in convergence with Samagra Shiksha Scheme of this Department. The scheme aims to improve the socio-economic condition of tribal communities in next 5 years (2024-25 to 2028-29). The intervention under the Ministry of Education aims at Universalization of Access to Good Education by making quality education affordable and accessible to ST students by setting up 1000 hostels in schools at district/block level having ST population. Till date, 30 hostels at an estimated cost of Rs. 7260 lakh have been approved for the State of Rajasthan.
